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## **Bv ECF**

The Honorable Katherine H. Parker United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007

## MEMO ENDORSED

Re: Viera as Executor of Avilez v. United States, 18 Civ. 9270 (KHP)

Dear Judge Parker:

This Office represents the United States, the Defendant in this medical malpractice action brought under the Federal Tort Claims Act. I write respectfully on behalf of the parties to request an adjournment of the status conference currently set for November 19, 2019. The parties are actively engaged in expert discovery at present and believe that they will be in a better position to have a substantive discussion with the Court about the status of the litigation shortly after the conclusion of discovery on December 31, 2019. This is the parties' first request for an adjournment of this conference.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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<u>APPLICATION GRANTED:</u> The Status Conference in this matter that is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in Courtroom 17D, 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007 is hereby rescheduled to <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>January 8</u>, 2020 at 10:15 a.m.

APPLICATION GRANTED

Hon. Katharine H. Parker, U.S.M.J. 11/13/2019